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STATE OF MONTANA



IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF SUPREME COURT HELENA, MONTANA 59620-3003

November 2, 2009

RE: District Court Case No: DV 98-253

NOTICE OF FILING

Supreme Court No. DA 09-0578

HERMAN GONZALES; FAWN LYONS; KEN LAUDATO; LAWRENCE WALKER; GARY MANSIKKA; GARY GALETTI; GREG WHITING; MARVIN KRONE; RICHARD BLACK; JIM KELLY; CHRIS SOUSLEY, and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs and Appellees,

V.

MONTANA POWER COMPANY; NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION, a Delaware Corporation; PUTMAN AND ASSOCIATES, INC., a Montana corporation; NORTHWESTERN ENERGY; NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION d/b/a NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION as a reorganized debtor, subsequent to its plan confirmation, herein after referred to as NOR; and JOHN DOES II and III and JOHN DOES IV thru XX,

Defendants and Appellant.

Notice of Appeal was filed by Putman &Assoc. on October 28, 2009 under the above Supreme Court case number.

PLEASE NOTE the time for filing the appellant's opening brief has NOT yet begun. Another notice will be sent when this office receives the district court record, the filing of which initiates the briefing schedule pursuant to the Montana Rules of Appellate Procedure.

Sincerely,

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Clerk of the Supreme Court